

God's Plan Series: The Flight from Egypt

"Just as God saved Israel through Moses, God now saves us through Jesus!"

Matthew 2:13-23

1. Similarities between Moses and Jesus. Read Exodus 1:8-2:10 and Matthew 2:1-18.
 - a. Exodus 1:8. King who _____ God's Word.
 - b. Exodus 1:9-18. King who resorts to _____ children to protect His power and kingdom.
 - c. Exodus 2:1-10. God saves both children by giving them refuge through _____.
 - d. Exodus 2:10. Both are _____.
 - e. What message does it send about God's power that He can enact His plan despite evil rulers? What implications might this have for us today?
2. Maintaining the paradox. A paradox is statement that seems self-contradictory but, in reality, expresses a _____. So, for example, it is a paradox that we are simultaneously saint and _____.
3. Another example is Jesus as both the priest and the sacrifice.
 - a. Priest: Hebrews 4:14; 5:5-6.
 - b. Sacrifice John 1:29; 1 Peter 1:19.
 - c. Hymn #624 *The Infant Priest Was Holy Born* (v. 2-3)
 - 2 This great High Priest in human flesh
 Was icon of God's righteousness.
 His hallowed touch brought sanctity;
 His hand removed impurity.
 - 3 The holy Lamb undaunted came
 To God's own altar lit with flame;
 While weeping angels hid their eyes,
 This Priest became a sacrifice.
4. In today's text, Jesus is both the One being saved and the One who saves.

a. Jesus as the One being saved.

i. Exodus 4:22-23.

ii. Hosea 11:1.

iii. 2 Samuel 7:10-16.

iv. Synecdoche: a figure of speech in which a part is made to represent the whole or vice versa (as in *Cleveland won by six runs*). Ephesians 6:12a, "flesh and blood"; Psalm 44:6, "For not in my bow do I trust."

b. Jesus as the One who saves.

i. Parting of the Red Sea. Luke 8:24-25.

ii. Feeding the people in the wilderness. John 6:48-51.

iii. God's presence in the cloud. Matthew 17:1-5.

iv. God defeating Israel's enemies. Romans 6:23; _____.
1 Corinthians 15:24-25; _____. Hebrews 2:14-18;
_____.

5. The Exodus was meant to define Israel's beliefs, identity, and obedience. How is Jesus meant to do the same thing?

a. Beliefs.

b. Identity.

c. Obedience.